<u>REMARKS</u>

The Office Action dated September 9, 2004 has been reviewed. Claims 1-14 and 17 are currently pending in the application. No claims have been allowed.

Claims 1-6, 8-10 and 17 are rejected under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Komiya. To expedite prosecution, the applicant has amended claim 1 to recite a cyclosporine solution for oral administration. Claim 14 has also been amended to correct a typographical error.

It is believed that the claims as they now stand are free of the prior art.

Allowance of claims 1 – 14 and 17 is respectfully solicited.

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